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Mike Dalley Staker and Parson Companies 151 West Vine Street Murray, Utah 84107

Re: Review of Bond Release Request, Staker and Parson Companies, Ekins East Mine, M/049/0032,

Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Dalley:

On November 5, 2009, Lynn Kunzler and Brett Gregory of the Division staff inspected the Ekins East mine at your request to determine whether the Division could release the remaining reclamation surety and close this file. Based on this and a subsequent inspection, the Division denies the release request. Several items were noted during the inspections that need to be fixed before the Division could approve the surety release, including:

1. Repair the gully in the northeast corner of the pit area and construct a riprapped channel to prevent future gullying.

2. Reseed approximately three acres, which would include applying 10 tons per acre of composted manure or biosolids, ripping to eliminate the compaction, and applying seed.

3. Remove the discarded tires that were near the building.

On September 1, 2010, Brett Gregory re-inspected the site and reported that this work had not yet been done.

Please take this letter as a reminder to schedule this work so that it can be completed before the end of October, 2010. Please inform the Division when this work will be done so that we can inspect the site and ensure the work meets Division standards prior to demobilization.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Lynn Kunzler at 801-538-5310. In response, <u>please reference file number M/049/0032</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Minerals Program Manager

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